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Town Officers

Clerk
WILLIAM O. EMERSON

Treasurer
IRENE BOYLE

Selectmen

RALPH C. BLAKSLEE	Term expires 1955
EDWARD H. CUSHMAN	Term expires 1956
ERNEST E. WHITCOMB	Term expires 1957

Auditor
RITA BLAKSLEE

Tax Collector
SHIRLEY M. ALDRICH

Road Agent
ARTHUR COREY

Trustees of Trust Funds

CLARIBEL BLAKSLEE	Term expires 1955

Library Trustees

RITA BLAKSLEE	Term expires 1955
ESTHER WHITCOMB	Term expires 1956
BERTHA STANNARD	Term expires 1957

Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of Dalton, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dalton on Tuesday, the 8th of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects. The polls will open at 11:00 o'clock.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2. To see if the Town will accept the Budget for 1955 as prepared by the Selectmen and make appropriation of the amounts therein or to make any changes.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $60.55 to the White Mountains Region Association, being 1/100th of one percent of the Town Valuation.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise $65.00 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise $50.00 for Civilian Defense, and make appropriation for same.

6. To see if the Town will vote to give the Selectmen the rights to issue temporary loans on the anticipation of Taxes.

7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town a sum not to exceed Thirty-One thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Five dollars ($31,735.00) for the construction of a new road beginning at the Littleton Line on the Manns Hill Road and ending at the State Road: The loan to be repaid over a period of ten (10) years with State B. Funds contributing $4,139.00 and for this purpose to authorize the issue of serial notes of the Town under and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act.

8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 7th day of February, 1955.

RALPH C. BLAKSLEE,
EDWARD H. CUSHMAN,
ERNEST E. WHITCOMB,
Selectmen of Dalton, N. H.

A True Copy Attest:
R. C. BLAKSLEE
E. H. CUSHMAN
E. E. WHITCOMB

Budget for 1955

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955, compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954.

Sources of Revenue	Est. 1954	Act. 1954	Est. 1955
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	$ 100.00	$ 101.59	$ 100.00
Railroad Tax	250.00	296.00	250.00
Savings Bank Tax	65.00	72.84	65.00
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal forest lands	60.00	67.91	60.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber		1,471.69	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	100.00	101.10	100.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	7.00	15.50	7.00
Income of Departments: Sewers	325.00	206.50	325.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,500.00	2,427.28	1,500.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2	420.00	382.00	420.00
Total Rev. from All Sources except Property Taxes	$ 2,827.00	$ 5,115.41	$ 2,827.00
Amt. to be raised by Prop. Taxes			39,298.63
Total Revenues			$42,125.63

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro. 1954	Actual Expend. 1954	Estim. Expendi. 1955
Current Maintenance Expenses			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 1,062.00	$ 1,082.00	$ 1,082.00
Town Officers' Expenses	600.00	588.67	600.00
Election & Regis. Expenses	375.00	257.50	100.00
Municipal Court Expenses Telephone	25.00	68.96	25.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	500.00	20.95	500.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	300.00	1.00	100.00
Fire Department	800.00	797.80	500.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust and Care of Trees	100.00	100.00	60.55
Health:			
Vital Statistics	5.00	4.50	4.50
Sewer Maintenance	25.00	33.29	25.00
Town dump and garbage remov.	100.00		100.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	2,000.00	6,717.40	2,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000.00	2,511.63	2,000.00
Graveling	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	500.00	1,329.64	500.00
Town Road Aid	411.44	411.44	415.95
Libraries:			
Libraries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Public Welfare			
Town Poor	1,000.00	322.64	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,200.00	1,576.06	1,500.00
Recreation:			
Parks and Playground	10.00		25.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	600.00	289.81	500.00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses, Incl. Dog Damage	25.00	11.00	25.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	58.49	58.49	58.49

Employees' Retirement & Social Security	90.00	154.36	150.00
Interest:			
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	172.50	262.50	300.00
Highways and Bridges:			
New Equipment	3,818.00	3,808.00	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
County Taxes	2,315.74	2,333.02	2,315.74
School Taxes	23,738.40	25,081.21	25,738.40
Total Expenditures	$45,564.38	$50,281.87	$42,125.63

Selectmen's Report

Inventory April 1, 1954

Real Estate	$456,365.00
Electric Plants	122,176.00
48 Horses	4,200.00
228 Cows	24,650.00
47 Neat Stock	4,530.00
4 Goats	45.00
Fowls 2050	2,500.00
Machinery	2,000.00
Wood and Lumber	23,000.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	935.00
Stock in Trade	5,550.00
Mills and Machinery	5,836.00
Total Gross Valuation	$651,787.00
Less: Soldier Exemptions	36,400.00
Net Valuation on which Tax is computed	$615,387.00

Assessments

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 1,062.00
Town Officers' Expenses	600.00
Social Security	90.00
Election and Registration	375.00
Town Hall and Other Buildings	500.00
Police Department	100.00
Fire Department	1,000.00
Blister Rust	100.00
Health Department	100.00
Town Dump	100.00
Vital Statistics	5.00
Town Road Aid	411.44
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000.00
General Expense of Highway Dept.	1,000.00
Sewer Maintenance	25.00
New Equipment	3,238.00
Libraries	150.00
Old Age Assistance	1,200.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds	200.00

Cemeteries		600.00
Telephone Service		25.00
Advertising & Regional Association		58.49
Payment on Principal of Debt and Interest		1,437.50
County Tax		2,315.74
School Tax		25,081.21
Total Town and School Appropriations		$45,799.38
Less: Estimated Revenue and Credits:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 101.36	
Railroad Tax	259.24	
Savings Bank Tax	72,84	
Reimbursement on State Land	60.00	
Reimbursement on Growing Wood & Timber	2,092.38	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	
Dog Licenses	100.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	7.00	
Water and Electric Departments	325.00	
Cash Surplus	4,270.59	
Total Revenue and Credits	$9,288.41	
Appropriations		$45,799.38
Less Revenue and Credits		9,288.41
		$36,510.97
Plus Overlay		288.86
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		$36,799.83
Less Poll Taxes		492.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		$36,307.83
Property Taxes	$36,307.83	
Poll Taxes	492.00	
Total Taxes to be Committed	$36,799.83	

Tax Rate $5.90 on $100.00

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - Town of Dalton, N. H.

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954

Title of Appro.	Appro.	Receipts	Available	Expend.	Balance	Overdr.
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 1,062.00	$	$ 1,062.00	$ 1,082.00		$ 20.00
Town Officers' Expenses	600.00		600.00	588.67	$ 11.33	
Election & Registration	375.00		375.00	257.50	117.50	
Town Hall Expense	500.00		500.00	20.95	479.05	
Police Department	100.00		100.00	1.00	99.00	
Fire Department	1,000.00	119.99	1,119.99	1,197.80		77.81
Telephone	25.00		25.00	23.50	1.50	
Blister Rust	100.00		100.00	99.85	.15	
Health Department	100.00		100.00		100.00	
Town Dump	100.00		100.00		100.00	
Vital Statistics	5.00		5.00	4.50	.50	
Town Maint. Highway, Summer	3,000.00	566.84	3,566.84	7,362.73		4,362.73
Town Maint. Highway, Winter	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,510.63		510.63
General Expense, Highway Dept.	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,329.64		329.64
Sewer Maintenance	25.00		25.00	33.29		8.29
New Equipment, Truck	3,223.14		3,223.14	3,223.14		
Libraries	150.00		150.00	150.00		

Old Age Assistance	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,576.10		376.10
Town Poor	1,000.00		1,000.00	322.64	677.36	
Parks	200.00		200.00		200.00	
Cemeteries	600.00		600.00	289.81	310.19	
White Mts. Region Association	58.49		58.49	58.49		
Town Road Aid	411.44		411.44	411.44		
Payment on Debt	1,437.50		1,437.50	1,512.50		75.00
County Tax	2,315.74		2,315.74	2,333.02		17.28
Totals	$20,588.31	$686.83	$21,275.14	$24,389.20	$2,096.58	$5,777.48
						2,096.58
			Net Overdraft of Appropriations			$3,680.90

Financial Report

ASSETS

Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1954	$ 6,889.74	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Tax Book of 1954	3,853.13	
Tax Book of 1953	1,011.23	
Tax Book of 1952	14.68	
Previous Years	60.48	
Unredeemed Taxes	890.06	
		$12,719.32
Bounties due from State	$ 92.50	
Refund on Gas Tax Toll	12.25	
State Head Tax of 1954	350.00	
		$ 454.75
Total Assets		$13,174.07

LIABILITIES

Uncollected Head Tax	$ 350.00	
Due School District	8,738.40	
Due Tax Collector	40.89	
5 Bridge Notes of $1000.00 Each	5,000.00	
10 Sewer Notes of $250.00 Each	2,500.00	
Total Liabilities		$16,629.29
Total Liabilities	$16,629.29	
Total Assets	13,174.07	
	$ 3,455.22	
Net Surplus Dec. 31, 1953	1,995.74	
Net Debt Dec. 31, 1954	$ 1,459.48	
Increase in Debt	$ 3,455.22	

Statement of Bonded Debt

Town of Dalton

December 31, 1954

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding Long Term Notes

	Bridge Notes 1949, 3%	Sewer Notes 1949, 3%	Annual Maturities
	$6,000.00	$4,000.00	
Maturities			
1955	$1,000.00	$250.00	$1,250.00
1956	1,000.00	250.00	1,250.00
1957	1,000.00	250.00	1,250.00
1958	1,000.00	250.00	1,250.00
1959	1,000.00	250.00	1,250.00
1960		250.00	250.00
1961		250.00	250.00
1962		250.00	250.00
1963		250.00	250.00
1964		250.00	250.00
Total	$5,000.00	$2,500.00	$7,500.00

Town Clerk's Report

To the Inhabitants of Dalton, N. H.

I hereby submit my report as TOWN CLERK for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Auto Tax receipts	$2,427.28
Dog tax receipts	101.10
Filing fees	14.00
	$2,542.38
Total Remittance to Treasurer	$2,542.38

WILLIAM O. EMERSON,
Town Clerk

Report of Tax Collector

Summary of Warrant

Property, Yield, Sewer, and Poll Taxes

Levy of 1954

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	$36,299.09	
Poll Taxes	492.00	
Sewer Taxes	229.50	
Yield Taxes	620.69	
		$37,641.28
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes		88.50
Poll Taxes		16.00
Poll Tax Penalties		3.40
		$37,749.18

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Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property Taxes	$32,740.75
Poll Taxes	392.00
Sewer Taxes	206.50
Yield Taxes	436.60
Poll Tax Penalties	3.40
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:	
Property Taxes	3.565.04
Poll Taxes	104.00
Sewer Taxes	23.00
Yield Taxes	184.09
Abatements:	
Property Taxes	83.00
Poll Taxes	12.00
	$37,750.38

Overpayment of $1.20.

I hereby certify that the lists showing the names and amounts due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1954, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SHIRLEY M. ALDRICH,
Tax Collector

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Ayers, Annie	$2.00	$ 59.00
Austin, Gordon		174.94
Austin, June	2.00	
Becker, Charles	2.00	
Bartlett, Raymond	2.00	32.45
Bacon, Samuel		295.00
Benoit, Chloe	2.00	
Brown, Leroy	2.00	61.95
Elliott, Charles Jr.		134.23
Frechette, Marie	2.00	88.50
Frechette, Paul	2.00	
Frechette, Robert	2.00	
Grimard, Roger	2.00	271.40
Grimard, Blanche	2.00	
Howe, Charles		35.58
Hatch, Stanley	2.00	4.43
Hatch, Katherine	2.00	
Hobart, Walter B.	2.00	
Johnson, Lester Jr.	2.00	
LeClair, Almeda		41.30
Landry, Philip		34.81
Landry, Olivine	2.00	
Libby, Winona	2.00	35.40
Libby, Fred	2.00	
Lang, Calvin		22.70
McVetty, George Jr.		118.00
McVetty, Beverly	2.00	
Osgood, Fritz	2.00	
Osgood, Betty	2.00	
Rodgers, Leslie	2.00	29.50
Rodgers, Iola	2.00	
Rodgers, Ralph	2.00	
Rodgers, Mildred	2.00	
Royce, Clyde	2.00	2.95
Richards, Leo		29.50
*Simonds, Bradford		351.05
Sargent, Lucretia	2.00	
Stevens, Margaret	2.00	
Towns, Charles	2.00	47.20
Towns, Ruth	2.00	
*Tillotsen, F. E.		62.75
Wells, Perley		35.40
Wells, Alice	2.00	
Wells, Heman		23.60

Walter, Glenna	2.00	
Whittum, George		101.19
Wood, Albert	2.00	
Wells, Earl	2.00	
White, Mrs. Ronald	2.00	
Bartlett, Helen	2.00	
Fenoff, Nelson Jr.	2.00	
Fenoff, Nelson Sr.	2.00	11.80
Fenoff, Bernice	2.00	
Stillings, Harold	2.00	
Stillings, Merlene	2.00	
Boone, Elizabeth		50.15
Derosier, Keith		17.70
Fiske, Evangeline		29.50
Grey, Wells		17.70
Kellner, Blanche		100.30
Magoni, Louis		100.30
Massassoit, Fin & Tail Club		82.60
Parks, Thomas		38.35
Placey Harold		41.30
Straw, C. C.		17.70
Town of Whitefield		59.00
Viette, James and Katherine		20.65
Veazie, Frank		14.75
Wilder, Richard N.		100.30
Byron, Hale		9.00
Total Uncollected	$ 82.00	$ 2,803.93
Paid since settlement	$ 22.00	$ 761.11
Poll Tax Penalties	2.20	

Uncollected Sewer Tax

Ayers, Annie	$ 6.00
Richards, Leo	8.50
Smith, Walter	2.50
Walter, Merl	6.00
Total Uncollected	$ 23.00
Total Collected	206.50
Total Warrant	$229.50

Uncollected Yield Taxes

Brown, Leroy	$ 3.50
Elliott, Charles Jr.	2.16
McVetty, George Jr.	28.14

Simonds, Bradford	9.96
Smith, O. C.	1.05
Whittum, George	7.60
Total Uncollected	$ 52.41
Total Collected	436.60
Paid since settlement	131.68
Total Warrant	$620.69

Levy of 1953

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Ayers, Annie		$ 27.60
Austin, Gordon		130.30
Bartlett, Raymond		27.83
Bartlett, Helen	2.00	
Benoit, Chloe	2.00	
Frechette, Marie		25.90
Libby, Winona		25.36
Mooney, Harold	2.00	
Richards, Leo		25.30
Royce, Clyde	2.00	
Stewart, Robert	2.00	
Towns, Charles		25.36
Wells, Perley		18.56
Wells, Herman		20.24
Fiske, Evangeline		25.30
Hatch, Stanley		3.80
Magoni, Louis		86.02
O'Keefe, Francis		5.06
Sargent, Gordon		10.12
Town of Whitefield		50.60
Viette, James and Katherine		17.71
Veazie, Frank		12.65
Wilder, Richard N.		86.02

Uncollected Sewer Tax

Richards, Leo	8.50
Smith, Walter	2.50
Walter, Merl	6.00

Uncollected Yield Tax

Smith, O. C.	9.50
Towns, Charles	27.50

UNREDEEMED TAXES FOR TAX SALES

	1952	1951	1950	Prev. Years
Fenoff, Nelson Sr.		$ 15.35		
Libby, Winona	$ 11.76	9.31		
Richards, Leo	34.04	6.54	$ 15.85	
Rodger, Leslie		28.14		
Towns, Cecil		31.99	35.24	$ 39.44
Towns, Charles	38.36	33.28	45.14	
Wells, Heman	29.48	23.84	4.42	
Rothstein, Daniel		24.91		
Walter, Merl		9.90	9.81	9.79
Frechette, Felix		19.20		
Hatch, Stanley		38.90		
Benoit, Raymond			18.88	8.19
Smith, Walter			15.04	9.79
Toney, Charles			8.10	15.85
Fournier, Arnold				57.30
Tillotsen, F. E.				185.41
Total 1-1-55	$113.59	$241.36	$152.48	$325.77

Uncollected Taxes on Levies of

	1952	1951	1950	Prev. Years
Libby, Fred	$ 2.00	$ 7.00	$ 9.80	$ 19.68
Pilotte, Frederick				6.25
Smith, Edgar		10.68		
Stewart, Robert	2.00			
Walter, Merl				17.75

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax
Levy of 1954
DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original Warrant	$ 1,525.00	
Added Taxes	15.00	
Total Commitment		$ 1,540.00
Penalties Collected		11.00
Total Debits		$ 1,551.00

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Remittances to State Treasurer:	
Head Taxes	$ 1,175.00

Penalties	11.00	
		$ 1,186.00
Abatements		15.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list		350.00
Total Credits		$ 1,551.00

Paid Since Settlement $80.00
Head Tax Penalties Collected $8.00

UNCOLLECTED HEAD TAXES AT $5.00

Ayers, Annie
Austin, Gordon
Austin, June
Becker, Charles
Bartlett, Raymond
Bartlett, Helen
Benoit, Raymond
Benoit, Chloe
Ball, Charles
Brown, Leroy
Colbeth, Alfred
Frechette, Marie
Frechette, Paul
Frechette, Robert
Fenoff, Nelson Jr.
Fenoff, Bernice
Fenoff, Nelson Sr.
Grimard, Roger
Grimard, Blanche
Hartshorn, Ralph
Hatch, Stanley
Hatch, Katherine
Hobart, Walter B.
Johnson, Lester Jr.
Landry, Philip
Landry, Olivine
Landry, Vernard
Libby, Fred
McVetty, George Jr.
McVetty, Beverly
Osgood, Fritz
Osgood, Betty
Rodgers, Leslie
Rodgers, Iola
Rodgers, Ralph
Rodgers, Mildred
Richards, Leo
Smith, Walter
Sargent, Gordon
Sargent, Lucretia
Stevens, Paul
Stevens, Margaret
Towns, Charles
Towns, Wilber
Towns, Ruth
Tyburey, Stanley
Woods, Albert
Wells, Perley
Wells, Alice
Wells, Earl
Walter, Merl
Walter, Glenna
White, Ronald
White, Mrs. Ronald

Receipts and Payments

Receipts

From State	
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 101.59
Savings Bank Tax	72.84
Railroad Tax	296.00
State Forest Land Tax	126.12
Gas Tax for Class V Highway	566.84
Reimbursement Exemption Growing Wood and Timber	1,471.69
Fighting Forest Fires	119.99
Labor on T. R. A.	167.78
Bounties	43.00
Refund on Gasoline	67.97
W. O. Emerson, Town Clerk	
Auto Taxes	$ 2,427.28
Dog Taxes	101.10
Filing Fees	14.00
Selectmen	
Refund Tax on Truck and Body	$ 184.86
Use of Grader	42.00
Cemetery Lots	42.00
Insurance Adjustments	14.10
Refund Blister Rust	.15
Income from Trusts Funds	66.00
Permit Fees	1.50
Shirley M. Aldrich, Tax Collector	
Property Taxes of 1954	$32,741.79
Poll Taxes of 1954	392.00
Poll Tax Penalties of 1954	3.40
Yield Taxes of 1954	436.00
State Head Taxes of 1954	1,175.00
Property and Yield Taxes Previous Years	2,688.47
Poll Taxes Previous Years	46.00
Penalties Previous Years	4.60
State Head Taxes of 1953	145.00
Penalties State Head Taxes	25.50
Interest Received on Taxes	23.08
Tax Sales Redeemed	43.96
Sewer Taxes	206.50
Total Receipts	$43,897.41

Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1953	7,042.80
Grand Total	$50,940.21

Payments

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 1,082.00
Town Officers' Expenses	588.67
Election and Registration expense	257.50
Expense of Town Hall and other buildings	20.95
Police Department	1.00
Fire Department	797.80
Telephone service	68.96
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust	100.00
Bounties	92.50
Damage by dogs	11.00
Vital Statistics	4.50
Sewer Maintenance	33.29
Town Maintenance of Highway, Summer	6,717.48
Town Maintenance of Highway, Winter	2,511.68
General Expense of Highway	1,329.64
Town Road Aid and part gas tax money	1,056.37
Libraries	150.00
Old Age Assistance	1,576.06
Town Poor	322.64
Cemeteries	289.81
Damage and legal expenses	29.00
White Mountains Region Association	58.49
Refund to State a/c Yield Taxes	765.12
Social Security Town Share	154.36
Paid on Long Term Notes, Interest	262.50
New Equipment	3,808.00
Payment on Notes Long Term	1,250.00
State Head Taxes (1954 $931.63, Prior Years $446.50)	1,378.13
Taxes paid to County	2,333.02
Payment to School District in Part	17,000.00
Total Payments	$44,050.47

Total Receipts	$50,940.21
Total Payments	44,050.47
Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1954	$ 6,889.74

AUDITOR' REPORT

February 4, 1955

I have examined and verified all the books and records of the town and find them to be correct.

RITA F. BLAKSLEE,
Auditor

Detailed Statement of Payments

Town Officers' Salaries

William O. Emerson, Clerk	$ 50.00
Irene Boyle, Treasurer	100.00
Ralph C. Blakslee, Selectman	204.00
Edward H. Cushman, Selectman	204.00
Ernest E. Whitcomb, Selectman	204.00
Shirley M. Aldrich, Tax Collector	300.00
Nettie Pierce, Auditor	20.00
	$1,082.00

Town Officers' Expenses

Shirley M. Aldrich, Collecting Head Tax	$ 156.64
George M. Stevens & Sons, Officers' Bonds	58.65
Coos County Democrat, Printing Reports	138.00
Warren A. Bartlett, List of Transfers	9.21
U. S. Auto Guide, Auto & Truck Book	7.00
Edson C. Eastman, Supplies	7.95
Sargent Bros., Supplies	10.70
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	1.35
E. H. Cushman, Postage & Telephone	29.92
Ralph Blakslee, Telephone	.25
W. O. Emerson, Issuing Auto Permits	161.00
N. H. Assessors Assoc., Assessors' Dues	3.00
N. H. Collectors' Assn., Collector's Dues	3.00
Charles Hardy, Town Clerk Dues	2.00
	$ 588.67

Election and Registration

Clyde Switser, Moderator	$ 21.00
Ralph Blakslee, Police	15.00
George Thayer, Police	10.00
O. R. Falkenham, Police	5.00
Annie Boyle, Supervisor	45.00
Frank E. Tillotson, Supervisor	45.00
Josephine Falkenham, Supervisor	45.00
Susie Simonds, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Bertha Bishop, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Mary S. Whitcomb, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Harold Bartlett, Ballot Clerk	15.00
Coos County Democrat, Printing Ballots	11.50
	$ 257.50

Police Department

E. H. Cushman, Use of car	$ 1.00

Fire Department

Harry J. Lovell, Fire Hose	$ 765.00
J. E. Hadley, Recharging fire extinguisher	15.00
George McVetty, to Fire Meeting	5.20
Shepard Vogelgesang, to Fire Meeting	4.60
Ralph Blakslee, to Fire Meeting	4.00
E. H. Cushman, to Fire Meeting	4.00
	$ 797.80

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Richard Alexander, Insurance	$ 20.95

Bounties

Ralph Blakslee, Cash Paid on Hedgehogs	$ 8.00
E. H. Cushman, Cash Paid on Hedgehogs	41.00
E. H. Cushman, Cash Paid on Bear	10.00
E. E. Whitcomb, Cash Paid on Hedgehogs	22.50
W. O. Emerson, Cash Paid on Hedgehogs	11.00
	$ 92.50

Damage by Dogs

Edson C. Eastman, Dog Tags	$ 11.00

Vital Statistics

W. O. Emerson, Reporting	$ 4.50

Sewer Maintenance

Edward Whiting, Labor	$ 17.00
Walter Smith, Labor	15.30
E. H. Cushman, Cash paid for pipe	.99
	$ 33.29

Moth Extermination and Blister Rust

William H. Messeck, Blister Rust Appropriation	$ 100.00

Summer Maintenance of Highways

Arthur Corey, Road Agent

Arthur Corey, Labor	$1,170.00
Ralph Rodger, Labor	572.10
Raymond Benoit, Labor	345.00
Philip Doherty, Labor	287.75
Charles Towns, Labor	217.80

Leslie Rodger, Labor	195.00
Fred Libby, Labor	81.90
E. E. Whitcomb, Labor	41.40
E. H. Cushman, Labor & Express	10.37
Ralph Blakslee, Labor	9.50
Ralph Corey, Labor	30.60
Arthur Dube, Labor	5.40
Clyde Switser, Labor	4.50
Samuel Bacon, Dozing & Gravel	658.70
Gordon Austin, Trucking & Loading	971.70
Richard Stevens, Trucking	145.80
Adelard Pilotte, Trucking & Loading	142.80
Fritz Osgood, Trucking	5.40
Vernard Landry, Trucking	5.40
George Osgood, Tractor	75.00
Osgood Service Station, Gas & Repairs	493.05
Cray Oil Co., Fuel Oil	168.68
E. & H. Colby, Road Plank	159.32
State Treasurer, Culverts	776.25
Scott Machinery, Inc., Blades & Repairs	40.08
Whitefield Garage, Repairs	14.84
Fitzmorris Plumbing & Heating, Pipe & Fittings	34.95
Beecher Equipment Co., Repairs	6.07
Fournier Store, Shovels & Dynamite	31.22
Saunders Bros., Gravel	5.00
Bell's Store, Spikes	1.50
Adams Garage, Repairs	10.40
	$6,717.48

Winter Maintenance of Highways

Arthur Corey, Labor	$ 892.00
Ralph Rodger, Labor	572.40
E. E. Whitcomb, Labor	120.85
Raymond Benoit, Labor	59.00
Clifford Pilotte, Labor	30.00
Ralph Blakslee, Labor	27.50
Carl Lufkin, Labor	15.00
Theodore Pilotte, Labor	10.80
August Dube, Labor	4.50
Raymond Bartlett, Labor	2.70
Ralph Corey, Labor	1.80
Gorden Austin, Tractor	60.00
Arthur Covey, Truck	8.10
Adams Garage, Repairs	45.51
Whitefield Garage, Repairs	32.87

Thompson Mfg. Co., Repairs	36.16
Nadeau Bros., Repairs	81.05
Ricky Ross, Welding	74,00
Cray Oil Co., Fuel Oil	63.20
Treas. State of N. H., Chloride	223.83
Osgood Service Station, Repairs, Gas and Oil	141.11
Goldberg, Parts	6.30
Gulf Station, Repairs	3.00
	$2,511.68

Gas Tax Money Used on Highway

Arthur Corey, Labor	$ 54.00
Ralph Rodger, Labor	66.60
E. E. Whitcomb, Labor	66.10
Harold Stillings, Labor	29.00
Ralph Aldrich, Labor	40.50
George Ramsdell, Labor	25.00
James Bartlett, Labor	32.40
Richard Stevens, Truck	74.40
Elwin Wright, Labor	34.00
Gorden Austin, Truck and Tractor	145.00
Osgood Service Station, Gas and Repairs	35.53
Treas. State of N. H., Labor	411.44
Treas. State of N. H., Gravel	42.40
	$1,056.37

General Expense of Highway

Carl Bell, Ins. on Grader and Truck	$ 235.17
Scott Machinery, Repairs	80.85
Osgood Service Station, Tires and Repairs	696.32
John W. Tann & Sons, Services	69.54
Adams Garage, Welding and Repairs	126.46
Treas. State of N. H., Push Frame on Truck	96.60
E. E. Whitcomb, Labor	18.00
Fournier Store, Parts	3.70
Ralph Blakeslee, Labor	3.00
	$1,329.64

Libraries

Edith Switser, Library Appropriation	$ 150.00

Old Age Assistance

Treasurer State of New Hampshire	$ 1,576.06

Town Poor

Floyd E. Williams, Dental Work	$ 49.00

The Astle Company, Funeral Bill	125.00
H. R. Bean, Medical Services	43.00
Morrison Hospital, Hospital Care	99.75
Pierce General Store, Supplies	2.49
Arthur Covey, Gas	3.40
	$ 322.64

Cemeteries

The Depot Store, Wire and Posts	$ 105.17
Leslie Wilcomb, Labor	32.00
James Bartlett, Labor	18.00
E. H. Cushman, Labor and Paint	53.64
Bradford Simonds, Care of Cemetery	7.50
E. H. Cushman, Care of Cemetery and Lots	71.50
W. O. Emerson, Care of Lot	3.00
	$ 289.81

Damage and Legal Expenses

Edgar M. Bowker	$ 29.00

Telephone

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	$ 68.96

Social Security

Treasurer, State of N. H., Town Share	$ 154.36

White Mountains Region Association

Appropriation	$ 58.49

New Equipment

Town Truck	$ 3,408.00
Fire Pump	400.00
	$ 3,808.00

Excess Yield Tax

State of New Hampshire	$ 765.12

Head Tax

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	$ 1,378.13

County Taxes

J. Arthur Sullivan	$ 2,333.02

Part Payment to Schools

Beryl Boyle, School Treasurer	$17,000.00

Indebtedness

Whitefield Savings Bank & Trust Co.	
Payment on Scotts Bridge Note and Int.	$ 1,180.00
People National Bank	
Payment on Sewer Note and Interest	$ 332.50

Library Report

December 31, 1954

Receipts

Balance from 1953	$ 9.01
Received from Selectmen	
January, 1954	100.00
November, 1954	75.00
Total Receipts	$184.01

Expenditures

Books	$ 85.90
Magazines	11.50
Fuel	3.00
Librarian	50.00
Total Expenditures	150.40
Balance on hand December 31, 1954	$ 33.61

Edith Switser,
Librarian

RITA FALKENHAM,
ESTHER WHITCOMB
BERTHA STANNARD,
Trustees

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Dalton, N. H., on December 31, 1954

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation		How Invest-ed	Prin.	Balance Begin. of Year	Int.	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance on hand end Year
2-15-1911	Isabelle Steele	Cemetery Fund	Whitefield Savings Bank & Trust Co.	$ 50.00	$ 56.49	2%	$ 1.13		$ 57.62
7-24-1926	Will Heath			50.00	56.75	2%	1.13		57.88
5-14-1928	W. S. Crouch			50.00	82.10	2%	1.64		83.74
5-10-1934	Carrie R. Tillotson			200.00	206.21	2%	4.14	$ 4.00	206.35
6- 1-1936	Ida White Hayes			100.00	126.01	2%	2.53		128.54
11-28-1936	Jennie & Frank Whitcomb			100.00	110.44	2%	2.21	2.00	110.65
27- 1-1942	Charles H. Emerson			200.00	202.82	2%	4.06	3.00	203.88
2-19-1943	W. A. Tillotson & Aldrich lots			86.04	90.96	2%	1.81	1.00	91.77
9- 1-1943	Simion Kenney & Ewen lots			100.00	107.15	2%	2.15	2.00	107.30
11-26-1946	Kate Cushman & Tillotson, 5 lots			2500.00	2544.97	2%	51.14	52.00	2544.11
12-16-1953	Robert & Eliza Eager			100.00	100.00	2%	2.01	2.00	100.01
4-16-54	Edward & Bertha Stannard			100.00	100.00	2%	1.33		101.33
8-28-54	Marion Fountain			100.00	100.00	2%	.67		100.67
				$3736.04	$3883.90		$75.95	$66.00	$3893.85

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CLARIBEL C. BLAKSLEE,
Trustee.

Dalton School District

Report of School District Officers for the School Year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954; Budget and Estimated Receipts for the School Year 1954-1955; Recommendations for the School Year 1955-1956.

School Board

William E. Boyle, Chairman	Term expires 1955
Mrs. Claribel C. Blakslee	Term expires 1956
Leonard Carbonneau	Term expires 1957

Superintendent of Schools
LESLIE S. CUMMINGS

Moderator
E. E. WHITCOMB

Treasurer
BERYL S. BOYLE

Clerk
ELIZABETH SMITH

Attendance Officer
CARL LUFKIN, JR.

Auditor
EDITH B. SWITSER

Census Enumerator
CLARIBEL C. BLAKSLEE

Supervisory Union Clerk
MARION C. HOWLAND

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To the Citizens of Dalton:

The school board herewith submits its annual report. The report includes the treasurer's report for the fiscal year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954, with a statement of expenditures; budgets and estimated receipts for the present school year and for next year; written reports of the superintendent and the school nurse, and a list of tuition pupils.

The budget for next year is only slightly more than that of this year. Should the legislature increase the state aid appropriation, Dalton should receive a proportionate increase.

We therefore request an appropriation of $31,654.00 for the support of schools for the year 1955-1956.

WILLIAM E. BOYLE,
CLARIBEL C. BLAKSLEE,
LEONARD CARBONNEAU
School Board of Dalton

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town School District in the Town of Dalton, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the school building in said Dalton on the seventh day of March, 1955 at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To choose an auditor for the ensuing year.

6. To hear the reports of officers, auditors or committees of the district and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $1,500.00 as a capital reserve fund for the construction of a new central school, said funds to be placed in the custody of the trustees of trust funds and reserved for the construction of a new central school in accordance with the Laws of 1943, Chapter 160 as amended by the Laws of 1945, Chapter 35 and Laws of 1947, Chapter 8.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools. for the salaries of school officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Dalton this 16th day of February, 1955.

WILLIAM E. BOYLE,
CLARIBEL C. BLAKSLEE.
LEONARD CARBONNEAU,
School Board of Dalton

DALTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

	Revised Budget 1954-55	Proposed Budget 1955-56
Administration:		
1. Salaries of Dist. Officers	$ 184.00	$ 184.00
2. Supt's Salary (local share)	264.60	305.50
3. Per capita tax	258.00	284.00
4. Salaries of other adm. personnel	160.00	167.50
5. Supplies and other expenses	112.80	113.00
Instruction:		
6. Teachers' Salaries	8,419.00	8,540.00
7. Books and instructional aids	200.00	200.00
8. Scholars' supplies	250.00	250.00
10. Other instructional expenses	75.00	75.00
Operation of School Plant:		
11. Salary of janitor	450.00	450.00
12. Fuel	500.00	500.00
13. Water, light and other expenses	150.00	150.00
Maintenance of School Plant:		
14. Repairs and replacements	700.00	700.00
Auxiliary Activities:		
15. Health supervision	425.00	425.00
16. Transportation	6,660.00	6,750.00
17. Tuition	11,325.00	11,600.00
18. Special fund activities	30.00	30.00
Fixed Charges:		
19. Retirement	631.00	630.00
Capital Outlay:		
23. New equipment	300.00	300.00
24. Capital Reserve Fund	1,500.00	
	$32,594.40	$31,654.00

Estimated Receipts

	1954-55	1955-56
Balance June 30		
State Aid	$ 7,356.71	$ 7,000.00
Assessment	25,237.69	24,654.00
	$32,594.40	$31,654.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

The regular audited report of the fiscal year as required by law, July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954.

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1953	$ 649.64
State Aid	7,813.35
Appropriation 1953	17,916.06
Special appropriation (Capital Reserve)	1,500.00
Grand Total	$27,879.05

Payments

Administration:	
1. Salaries of District Officers	$ 184.00
2. Supt's Salary (local share)	*261.72
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision	252.00
4. Salaries of other Administrative Personnel	160.00
5. Supplies and Expenses	79.23
Instruction:	
6. Teachers' Salaries	7,786.00
7. Books and other Instructional Aids	233.23
8. Scholars' Supplies	337.91
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	90.00
Operation of School Plant:	
11. Salaries of Custodians	450.00
12. Fuel or Heat	480.46
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	171.36
Maintenance of School Plant:	
14. Repairs and Replacements	421.82
Auxiliary Activities:	
15. Health Supervision	405.11
16. Transportation	5,279.50
17. Tuition	8,887.06
18. Special Activities and Special Funds	14.20
Fixed Charges:	
19. Retirement	564.22
Capital Outlay:	
23. New Equipment	164.75
24. Payments into Capital Reserve Fund	1,500.00
	27,722.57
Cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1954)	156.48
Grand Total	$27,879.05

*Superintendent's Salary $6,400.00. Bethlehem $931.68, Dalton $261.72, Littleton $2,706.60, State of New Hampshire $2,500.00.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Dalton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

(Signed) EDITH B. SWITSER
Auditor

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Dalton:

It is with pleasure that I submit to you my annual report relative to your school.

This past year brought one change in the faculty in the school. Mrs. Shirley Aldrich resigned to accept a similar position in the Lancaster school system. Mrs. Marian Clarkson of Whitefield, a graduate of Keene Normal School with 15 years' teaching experience, was elected to fill this vacancy in Grades five and six.

The enrollment this year in the six grades is 81 compared with a total of 89 last year. There are 29 pupils enrolled in the elementary grades in Whitefield and 39 in the high school.

The excellent report of the school nurse will be found on separate pages of this report.

This past summer the toilet facilities for boys were increased and booths were provided.

A three day workshop in the Improvement of Reading was held in September which was helpful to all teachers. Consultants from the State Department of Education, Plymouth Teachers College and Scott Foresman Company were present and rendered valuable assistance.

The school lunch program sponsored by the Community Club is operating very efficiently. New tables were furnished by the district, a six burner gas stove was purchased along with a gas hot water heater and tank. Members of the Community Club cleaned and painted the basement room and built shelves and work areas. It seems fitting at this time to mention the work of the Community Club that was organized in 1951 with only 26 members and has grown to a total of 70 at the present time. During the past four years this group has raised over $2,600.00. Over $2,000.00 has been used for the betterment of your community, especially the school and its pupils. The major projects

sponsored by the club include the new large water tank in the school, examination of pre-school children, school lunch program, dental clinics and the cleaning and painting of the basement room in the school. Special mention should be made of the work of Mrs. Eleanor Bell who gave full time to the school lunch program last year at no charge. The interest and cooperation of this group is sincerely appreciated by everyone.

Your school is provided with adequate supplies, textbooks and teaching aids. All teachers are members of the local teachers' association and the State Education Association.

The appropriation called for this year is only slightly higher than this past year. If state aid should be increased by the legislature this spring, I would expect Dalton to receive as much aid as it did these past two years with the possibility of a slight increase.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the school board, teachers and citizens for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE S. CUMMINGS

HEALTH REPORT

To Superintendent and Members of the School Board:

I hereby submit my report as school nurse.

Our 1954-55 health program started with posture talks in all grades and with the combined efforts of the teachers an attempt was made to seat children so as to help them maintain good posture. Parents should feel a real responsibility to see that their children stand tall and sit tall. Good health is dependent on good posture.

All children were weighed, measured and received head inspections three times during the year. No pediculosis was found. Three cases of ringworm were detected in winter of 1954 and treated.

Hearing tests were done in November on sixty-nine students with the American Legion Maico audiometer. No serious cases of hearing defects were noted.

Visual Acuity tests were done with the Snellen Eye Chart on seventy-seven pupils. All defects were reported and many corrections made.

Seven children were examined by an eye doctor and

were fitted to glasses by means of the financial assistance of our State Sight Conservation program.

One pupil was taken to Berlin Orthopedic Clinic in Berlin on March 19th for which we are grateful to Mr. Cushman for using his car for transportation. This same pupil went to Crotched Mt. Clinic in April for observation. Later he spent two months at the Foundation for exercises and rehabilitation.

One pupil attended Child's Guidance Clinic in Littleton.

Four very necessary tonsillectomies were done by family doctors. The change in the general condition and health of a child after removal of diseased tonsils is outstanding.

A small epidemic of mumps occurred in the spring of 1954. Twenty-six cases were recorded. There was one case of old fashioned measles and a few cases of skin ringworm.

Six pupils received immunization shots for whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus at a clinic in Whitefield sponsored by our State Health Department and under the direction of Miss Gladys Blasland, R. N. I am grateful to Mrs. Maurice Bell for transporting these children three times.

On April 19th, Mrs. Gladys Fancy, R. N., District Tuberculosis Nurse, Patch tested sixty-five pupils and three teachers. Six positive reactions were noted. All were urged to have an x-ray.

I want to take this opportunity to thank and praise the members of the Dalton Community Club for the splendid worthwhile projects they are sponsoring. They are certainly helping to build stronger and healthier future citizens.

The dental program in itself is a tremendous project. Almost a hundred percent of the school enrollment benefit. We have been most fortunate to have two hygienists from the State Health Department come to the school and clean and give four Fluorine treatments to all children with parents' permission. Parents should feel an added responsibility to keep up the good work started in the clinic. It has been discovered that poor vision may result from decayed teeth.

Physical examinations were done in September by Dr. Provost on all first graders, and in November on all second graders. This program was also sponsored by the Community Club.

By hard work the Club turned a basement room into a very useful cafeteria. A fine hot lunch program has been in effect since Thanksgiving. The teachers have noticed renewed vigor after lunch since this program has been in effect.

I have attended two Regional Health Conferences and one Eye Institute.

I gratefully appreciate the fine cooperation of all the teachers in regard to any health problem. Their careful observation and interest help greatly in early detection of symptoms.

Respectfully submitted,
ILSA McGINLEY, R. N.

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1953-1954

	Boys	Girls	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent Attendance
Grades 5-6	17	13	30	27.5	25.6	92.9
Grades 3-4	10	14	24	21.4	20.0	93.4
Grades 1-2	17	18	35	30.7	28.3	92.1
	44	45	89	79.6	73.9	92.8

Teachers 1954-1955

Mrs. Marion Clarkson	Grades 5-6
Mrs. Minnie Blodgett	Grades 3-4
Mrs. Gladys Fearon	Grades 1-2
Mrs. Deveda Cushing	Music

Tuition Pupils 1954-1955

Grade I—John Pilotte; Grade IV—Rowena Mason; Grade VI—Lenurel Pilotte; Grade VII—James Adams, Donald Belmore, David Blanchette, Gerald Blodgett, Bruce Brown, Norman Fox (left Jan. 14), Peter Grimard, Roger Grimard, Carl F. McCullock, Carl Ramsdell, Larry Shawney, Sheila Aldrich, Judith Ball, Dorothy Edney, Betty Morancie, Jeannette Noyes, Marie Villeneuve, Betty Whit-

ing; Grade VIII—Warren Porter, Donald Westover, Roy Hayward (left. Oct. 13) Elizabeth Frechette, Mabel Gould, Joan Hennessey (left Oct. 20), Merlene Walter, Lucille Whiting; Grade IX—Thomas Ball, John Elliott, Leslie Wilcomb, Elaine Kazmirchuk, Dorothy Morancie, Barbara Porter, Judith SanAntonio, Virginia Whiting; Grade X—Donald Bartlett, Daniel Brown (left Oct. 8), Henry Frechette, Joel Fournier, Frederick Mason (left Oct. 8), Donald Mooney, John O'Neil, Chester Ramsdell, Roger Westover (left Oct. 8), Gene Whitcomb, Francene Porter, June Smith; Grade XI—Leroy Brown, Wilfred Fournier, Raymond Frechette, Doris Ball, Lorraine Belmore, Sandra Bresnahan, Marjorie Placey, Nancy Ramsdell; Grade XII—Roger Aldrich, Richard Bartlett, Thomas Matthew (left Dec. 1), Robert Nutter, Harland Simonds, Bradley Whitcomb, Ida Lou Blakslee, Maureen O'Neil, Marilyn Ramsdell, Jean Switser.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Dalton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
May 11	Nelson J. Fenoff, Jr.	Littleton, N. H.	Geraldine E. Wright	Dalton, N. H.
June 12	Edmond L. Belmore	Dalton, N. H.	Irene G. Ash	Littleton, N. H.
Sept. 18	Glen T. Wright	Dalton, N. H.	Elizabeth V. Whitehead	Lancaster, N. H.
Oct. 12	Clarence I. Smith	Gilman, Vt.	Evelyn J. Thayer	Dalton, N. H.
Oct. 27	John E. Blakslee	Greenfield, Mass.	Claribel C. Blakslee	Dalton, N. H.

Births Registered in the Town of Dalton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
Feb. 1	Michael Charles	Willard D. Streeter	Pauline E. Belmore	Concord, Vt.
Apr. 1	Susan Dorothy	Warren A. Thayer	Theresa A. Lord	Whitefield, N. H.
Apr. 27	Michael Richard	Richard C. Oakes	Adelaide E. Osgood	Whitefield, N. H.
June 25	Myra Mildred	Leslie G. Rodger	Iola M. Remick	Concord, Vt.
June 28	Cheryl Twyor	Ronald C. White	Marjorie E. Pilotte	Concord, Vt.
June 30	Lester Elwin 2nd	Lester E. Jacques	Hele E. Smith	Concord, Vt.
July 1	Julia Elaine	Bradford C. Simonds	Effie M. Remington	Lancaster, N. H.
Aug. 31	Carmen Rae	Raymond F. Benoit	Chloe J. Hodgdon	Concord, Vt.
Oct. 16	Coleen Rose	Edmund L. Belmore	Irene G. Ash	Whitefield, N. H.
Oct. 23	Jeanne Helena	Raymond F. Bartlett	Helena E. Boyle	Concord, Vt.
Nov. 17	William Dorsey Jr.	William D. Westover	Alfreda B. Wright	Lancaster, N. H.
Dec. 14	Thomas Edward	Edward G. Whiting	Alice H. Plummer	Concord, Vt.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Dalton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Death
Jan. 6	William Henry Bartlett	81	Dalton, N. H.
Jan. 26	Stella L. Brooks	68	Dalton, N. H.
Feb. 27	Samuel C. Bacon	84	Whitefield, N. H.
May 8	Anne M. Hennessey	79	Whitefield, N. H.
June 24	Alfred T. Fountain	70	Dalton, N. H.
Aug. 20	William D. Westover	58	Hartford (Rural)
Sept. 20	Edith E. Elliott	78	Dalton, N. H.
Oct. 20	Charles C. Towns	47	Dalton, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM O. EMERSON, Town Clerk

Forest Fire Prevention is Everybody's Business

Carelessness is responsible for 97 percent of all our forest fires. This is a serious indictment of our interest in our own welfare and that of our neighbors. In too many instances this carelessness results in the destruction, not of the careless one's own property, but of someone not even known to him.

Thoughtlessly thrown lighted cigars, cigarettes and matches from moving vehicles by hikers, hunters and fishermen; the careless burning of debris during the hazardous periods, high winds or in dangerous locations; improperly extinguished camp or cook fires—all add up to the CARELESSNESS that means serious loss of property, disruption of industry and farm work and unnecessary expenditure of town and state funds.

It points to the need of eliminating CARELESSNESS so far as it concerns fire from our daily life. The rules are simple—your cooperation is earnestly solicited.

1. Be careful with fire in or near woodlands.
2. Be sure that all lighted material—cigars, cigarettes and matches—is completely out before discarding it. Use ash trays in autos.
3. Secure the required written permission to burn from your local forest fire warden when the ground is not completely covered with snow.
4. Insist that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.
5. Call the warden promptly when fire is detected and aid him to extinguish it.

Let's remember that FOREST FIRE PREVENTION IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS and our MOST IMPORTANT undertaking!